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FREQUENCY HOPPING SPREAD SPECTRUM WITH HIGH SENSITIVITY

TRACKING AND SYNCHRONIZATION FOR FREQUENCY UNSTABLE SIGNALS

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (copy attached) mailed September 7, 2001, submitted herewith is an executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also submitted for filing is an Assignment of the invention to Itron, Inc. A check in the amount of \$880.00 is enclosed to cover the surcharge, filing fee and Assignment recording fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any extensions of time and to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

Entry of these documents should complete all of the filing formalities and fully satisfy all requirements of the Notice to File Missing Parts. Accordingly, examination and allowance of this application in due course are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The balance due by applicant is \$ 840.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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